

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
AUSTIN DIVISION

KIRK JOHNSTON,

Plaintiff,

v.

CHAD KROEGER, et al.,

Defendants.

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1:20-CV-497-RP

ORDER

Before the Court is the report and recommendation from United States Magistrate Judge Susan Hightower concerning Defendants Chad Kroeger, et al.'s Motion for Attorney Fees, (Dkt. 74). (R. & R., Dkt. 81). Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b) and Rule 1(d) of Appendix C of the Local Rules of the United States District Court for the Western District of Texas, Judge Hightower issued her report and recommendation on September 14, 2023. (*Id.*). As of the date of this order, no party has filed objections to the report and recommendation.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b), a party may serve and file specific, written objections to a magistrate judge's proposed findings and recommendations within fourteen days after being served with a copy of the report and recommendation and, in doing so, secure de novo review by the district court. When no objections are timely filed, a district court can review the magistrate's report and recommendation for clear error. *See* Fed. R. Civ. P. 72 advisory committee's note ("When no timely objection is filed, the [district] court need only satisfy itself that there is no clear error on the face of the record in order to accept the recommendation.").

Because no party has filed timely objections, the Court reviews the report and recommendation for clear error. Having done so and finding no clear error, the Court accepts and adopts the report and recommendation as its own order.

Accordingly, the Court **ORDERS** that the Report and Recommendation of the United States Magistrate Judge, (Dkt. 81), is **ADOPTED**. Defendants' motion for attorney fees is **DENIED**.

Defendants' Bill of Costs, (Dkt. 75), is **GRANTED**. The Clerk of the Court is directed to enter the Bill of Costs against Plaintiff and in favor of Defendants. The Court will enter an amended final judgment separately to award costs to Defendants.

SIGNED on October 4, 2023.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "R. Pitman", is written above a horizontal line.

ROBERT PITMAN
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE